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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA
TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 2928
AMEMBASSY JAKARTA
AMEMBASSY SUVA
AMCONSUL SYDNEY

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EO 11652: NA.

TAGS: OTRA, AS.

SUBJ: CONSULTATION FOR LESTER E. EDMOND.

REF: (A) TOKYO 4224.

(B) SYDNEY 0669.

1. EMBASSY WELCOMES PROPOSED AUSTRALIA VISIT AND LOOKS
FORWARD TO CONSULTATIONS WITH EDMOND.

2. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT IF POSSIBLE EDMOND MAKE
MINOR AMENDMENT IN INTERNAL AUSTRALIA SCHEDULE WHICH
WILL NOT AFFECT HIS PROPOSED SCHEDULE (REF A) FOR
ARRIVAL IN AND DEPARTURE FROM AUSTRALIA. FOR
COMBINATION OF REASONS IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE
FOR HIM TO REVERSE THE SEQUENCE OF SYDNEY AND CANBERRA
VISITS. WE PROPOSE HE CONTINUE ON TO CANBERRA FOLLOWING
ARRIVAL IN SYDNEY ON MORNING OF MONDAY, MAY 6 VIA
TN475 LEAVING SYDNEY AT 0940 ARRIVING CANBERRA 1020.
ON THIS SCHEDULE HE WOULD REMAIN IN CANBERRA TUESDAY,
MAY 7 AND DEPART CANBERRA ON EARLY AM FLIGHT TO
SYDNEY, WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 REMAINING SYDNEY UNTIL HIS
DEPARTURE FOR NANDI ON QANTAS 580 AT 0945 FOLLOWING
DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 9.

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3. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO HAVE OVERALL AUSTRALIA BRIEFING AT OUTSET IN CANBERRA THEREAFTER VISITING CONGEN SYDNEY AND TRADE CENTER FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS OF ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES. OF EQUAL IMPORTANCE, EMBASSY NOTES AT THIS TIME OF YEAR EARLIEST SCHEDULED MORNING AIR DEPARTURE FROM CANBERRA FREQUENTLY DELAYED BY FOG CONDITIONS. FOR THIS REASON SCHEDULE ORIGINALLY PROPOSED REFTEL (A) WHICH WOULD REQUIRE 0710 DEPARTURE MAY 9 FROM CANBERRA TO CONNECT WITH 0945 DEPARTURE FROM SYDNEY FOR NANDI RUNS HIGH RISK OF FOG PROBLEM WHICH WOULD CAUSE MR. AND MRS. EDMOND TO MISS CONNECTION IN SYDNEY. ALTERNATIVE PROPOSED BY EMBASSY WOULD HAVE EDMOND STAYING IN SYDNEY NIGHT PREVIOUS TO DEPARTURE FOR NANDI THEREBY AVOIDING ANY PROBLEMS.

4. UPON CONFIRMATION EDMOND CONCURRENCE IN THIS REVISION OF AUSTRALIA SCHEDULE, EMBASSY WILL MAKE NECESSARY HOTEL RESERVATIONS, AND CONGEN SYDNEY WILL REARRANGE PROGRAM REFTEL (B) TO SUBSTITUTE SIMILAR PROGRAM FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 8.
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